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THE WEATHER.

For this section overcast tonight Somewhat Warmer.

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WANT WOMEN WARNED

Committee of National Defense Give Advice to Women and Girls Contemplating Residence in Washington.

Richmond, Dec. 18.—Washington has become the mecca of so many thousands of young girls and dependent women in recent months that their presence there has drawn attention to the question of proper accommodation for such workers in the federal service as never before.

The woman's committee of the council of national defense has deemed it highly desirable to have a warning sent out so that girls and women contemplating a residence at the capital may be advised on two or three important points.

The request is made by the national council committee that State Councils give as wide distribution as possible to the following:

"So many inquiries concerning governmental stenographic work have come to the woman's committee from all parts of the country that the committee is urging the State and county chairman to emphasize the fact that the cost of living is high in Washingon at the present time, the city overcrowded, that lodging and board are difficult to obtain, and that therefore no dependent woman should come to the city without securing in advance a definite position and proper housing.

"The woman's committee suggests that the State and county chairmen get into communication with the civil service examiners in their localities and notify the woman's committee at the national headquarters of any woman who has passed the civil service examination and who proposes coming to Washington for a position. A local Washington division will then make an effort to see that housing facilities are provided."

AVIATOR KILLED.

Former Resident of Warrenton Victim of Accident in Aviation Camp in Canada.

News has been received in Warrenton, from offical circles of the death of Alex. P. Humphrey, Jr., a native of Kentucky, but who made his home in Warrenton and Middleburg for a number of years and was most closely associated with the life of that section of the state. Mr. Humphrey, who enlisted in the aviation corps shortly after war was declared, was in an aviation camp in Canada and his death occurred a few days ago. The barest details of his death have been received here, but it is stated there was a collision in the air of aeroplanes and Mr. Humphrey was thrown from his machine at a great distance and instantly killed. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia, a member of the various hunt clubs of Fauquier county and acknowledged to be one o fthe best horsemen in the South. Mr. Humphrey is the first man associated closely with Warrenton to give his life for the cause.

FIRE IN ROCKEFELLER HOME.

Destroys East Cleveland Mansion—Incendiary Is Suspected.

Cleveland, Ohio., Dec. 18.—The home of John D. Rockefeller at Forest Hill, in east Cleveland, a suburb of this city, took fire last night at 10:40 o'clock.

The fire spread with such great rapidity through the four-story building that it is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

It was impossible to save any of the furnishings of the house, and many valuable paintings, bronzes and tapestries were destroyed. The home was exquisitely furnished throughout its 45 rooms.

The loss on the building alone will be more than $50.000.

Mr. Rockeferrer bought the building a number of years ago and has added many extensions. He has resided in it every summer since its purchase.

The Sanitary Fish Market will have on sale tomorrow and the balance of the week, rock fish, Potomac bass, yellow perch, Jersey trout, butter fish, lake trout and Hampton Bay oysters. City Market Stall No. 2 Phone 735. Open until 5 p. m.

Boys' and girls' gift books 10 cents to 35 cents each. Elliott's. 300-2t.

STRENGTH OF ALLIES

Germany Has Only 3,130,000 Fighting men on All Fronts at Present According to Official Reports.

London, Dec. 18.—Germany has only 3,130,000 fighting men on all fronts, according to estimates of military experts based on official reports.

The present total strength of the German army is 5,500,000. Non-combatant units, which total the 2,370,000 men, are used in guarding the frontier and occupying invaded territories.

Germany has transferred 100,000 troops to Italy to aid the Austrians. On the Balkan front, Germany has aided the Bulgars with only 30,000 fighting men. The strength of the Austro-German forces in Italy, according to official dispatches, is placed at 840,000 men.

The total number of men in the Austria-Hungarian divisions now in service is placed at 1,200,000. The total war strength of the dual empire before the war was 3,600,000.

German forces on the western front number 2,000,000, it is estimated, a number considerably lower than that of the Franco-British armies. There remain on the eastern front about 1,000.000 Germans.

Italy has just called to the colors 2,000,000 more men, according to a Rome dispatch. The number includes men from 36 to 51 years of age, and 800.000 previously rejected because of physical disabilities.

Italy's army is now estimated at 4.200 000 men. With 2.000,000 additional men they" will be ready for what may occur," says the dispatch

Washington, Dec. 18.—From immediately after dinner last night until well into the early morning hours the lights burned full blast in President Wilson's study in the White House. Closeted only with Col. E. M. House, the President received a complete report on the doings of the American mission abroad. Secrets which could not be put on paper were revealed.

Throughout his entire report ran a note of extreme optimism.

Confidential documents were displayed and explained, showing exactly what is occurring behind the Teutonic frontiers. Even the general plan which the forthcoming peace offer of the Kaiser will follow was revealed.

The German military power was shown to be crumbling, slowly, it is is true, but none the less crumbling. and that in every part of the empire.

The disaffection in Turkey and Bulgaria is extreme, and the President was told just what has been done towards forcing a separate peace by these countries and what can be expected within the next six months.

STUART APPEALS TO LABOR.

Virginia Executive Asks Workers to Give up Some Holidays.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 18.—Gov. Henry Carter Stuart, in a proclamation to the workers of Virginia yesterday, called on them to deny themselves the usual holiday except Christmas day.

"The most immediate difficulty," he says, "is the scarcity of fuel.

"May I not use the exigency of this hour as just ground for asking men in the mines and in the shops and as far as possible, in all war industries, wherever located in Virginia to deny themselves the usual holiday except Christmas day and hail the season as one of fresh resolve and extra duty in rescuing millions of their fellow countrymen and millions more who fight in common cause with us from suffering and danger?"

Have You Joined the Red Cross?

If you have not been called upon by either of the committees of ladies who are soliciting new members for the local branch of the American Red Cross, they will be delighted to have you notify them. Alexandria should have 3,000 new members. Help get them by joining. Your dollar will be used to assist others who cannot help themselves.

Read These Prices.

Patapsco flour, $11.75 barrel. Twelve pound sack, 75c. Star hams, 32 cents. Country butter, 50 cents. Six packages spachetti 25 cents. J. E. Purcell, 117 South Henry street, Alexandria. Phone 567 W. 301-3t.

Holly boxes, at Elliott's; 5 cents to 25 cents. 300-2t.

Alexandria City and Suburbs

The report for the Alexandria hospital for the month of November, submitted for publication today by Miss Fannie Carter, superintendent, shows the following: Number of patients November 1st, 33; number admitted during month, 44; dismissed, 44; average, 30; births, 3; deaths, 5. Days of gratuitous nursing, 255; operations performed, 23; dispensary cases, 22; new dispensary cases, 8; old dispensary cases, 14.

At the recent meeting of Alexandria Tent No. 2 of the Maccabees officers were elected for the ensuing year as here given: Commander, Charles Bender; Lieut. Commander, Raymond Simons; Chaplain, W. J. Cornell; Record Keeper, M. A. Brener; Sargeant, R. B. Cruff; Master of Arms, E. J. Moore; First Master of Guards, Carter Connors; Second Master of Guards, Milton Lovelace; Sentinel, C. O. Simons; Picket, Harry Florence; Trustee for three years, Irving Brawner.

Guard Smith came to Alexandria today from the Penitentiary at Richmond and took back with him Russell A. Davis and George E. McCreary, who were sentenced by Judge Louis C. Barley to serve three years in the Penitentiary. They will be remembered as the two soldiers who stole an automobile from two boys at Braddock Heights, near this city, and succeeded in getting away with it as far as Connersville, Indiana, where they were apprehended and brought back to Alexandria.

An article published in the New York American concerning the organization of the American Shipbuilding Corporation, recently chartered in the state of Virginia, says in connection therewith: "Not long ago Mr. Morse came to the front with a suggestion toward solving one of the most difficult labor problems blocking the big shipbuilding programme. He advised Chairman Hurley, of the Shipping Board, that he had eight river steamers that could house 700 laborers, giving them eating, sleeping and general living quarters, and could be placed at various shipbuilding districts."

Reliance Fire Engine Company will elect officers at its meeting to be held this evening at 7:30.

Mr. C. L. Watkins, of Hinton, West Virginia, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Watkins, 106 South Columbus street.

The Allison W. C. T. U. will meet in the Children's Home tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at which business of special importance will be brought up.

Only ten pieces of city property were bought in by tax collector P. F. Gorman at the tax sale held yesterday, instead of thirteen pieces as was first reported.

Upon hearing that the Twelfth Field Artillery band had left the St. Asaph camp this morning the committee in charge of the dance to be held by the Elks this evening, were obliged to secure another orchestra to furnish music, which they were successful in doing.

The funeral of Mrs. Annie V. Travers, wife of John J. Nugent, who died yesterday morning at the Alexandria hospital, will be held tomorrow morning at 9:30 from St. Mary's Catholic church. Rev. Louis Smet will officiate. A high mass will be held.

The ladies of the Red Cross Refreshment Corps, led by Miss Cora L. Cochran, have packed a large box full of good things which they will send today to Camp McClellan at Anniston, Alabama, to cheer the hearts of the Alexandria boys who are in Uncle Sam's service at that place. A package of "goodies" addressed to each individual soldier from this vicinity was in the big box. Included in the collection were candy, playing cards, games, trench mirrors, handkerchiefs and tan-colored shoestrings. The soldier say the latter are difficult to obtain there. There was also packed in the box $11.70 worth of "smokes," the money for which had been collected by two little girls, Thelma Mumford and Mary Laporte. The distribution of the contents of the box certainly ought to help materially in providing a Merry Christmas for the men and let them know that they are not forgotten in their home city.

The Willard W. C. T. U. will hold its meeting tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Wm. Campbell, 216 South Washington street.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stearman, of Quantico, Va., announce the birth of a son to them at the Alexandria hospital. Mrs. Stearman is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rose, of 320 King street, this city.

Funeral services for Mrs. Agnes W. Adam, who died at her home in the city of Washington yesterday, will be held at the residence of Mrs. Joseph Gates, 410 Prince street, Alexandria, tomorrow at 11 o'clock. The Rev. Edgar Carpenter, of Grace Episcopal church, will officiate.

Acknowledgment is made today by Judge Norton, chairman of the local committee, of the following subscriptions for the Young Men's Christian Asscciaton War Fund: Mrs. Anna Rogers, $1; W. H. Fink, $10. Several others, whose names are not given, presented through Mr. Fink, $25.

Miss America Semmes Payne, formerly of Warrenton, died yesterday at the residence of Mr. C. C. Shriver in Baltimore. The funeral will take place from the Catholic church in Warrenton tomorrow morning. Miss Payne had often visited her sister, Mrs. T. Marshall Jones, in Alexandria, where she has some relatives and many friends.

An appreciative audience enjoyed the entertainment given for the benefit of the Children's Home last evening at the Elks' Aditorium. Much credit is due Miss Julia Duncan whose untiring efforts insured its success. The recitations, songs and dances were well rendered. Mrs. Murphy, of California, gave some facts about children of other lands, dwelling upon the necessity of careful training and quoting Lloyd George in a recent speech when he said "A nation's greatest asset is its children." She brought the matter closer when she made a direct appeal to all mothers to give a little personal interest to the home here and stated without the "personal touch," it could be no home to the little ones. Her remarks were well suited to the occasion and elicited much applause. Altogether the affair was most enjoyable.

ANOTHER OUTRAGE.

Germans Blast Governor's Home in Sacramento.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 18.—An attempt to dynamite the governor's mansion and kill Governor William D. Stephens and his wife, was made early today, when a charge of explosives was set off in the southwest wall of the building.

The rear porch was blown off and a large hole was torn in the brick work.

Although Governor Stephens, his wife, and servants were asleep on the upper floor, nobody was injured.

Pro-German agents or sympathizers are blamed by the police for the outrage. Governor Stephens returned last night from Los Angeles, where he had delivered an address in which he advocated sterner methods in suppressing enemy agents and enemy propaganda.

DEATH OF AN ALEXANDRIAN.

Former Employee of the Alexandria Gazette Passes Away in Maryland.

The remains of Richard Henry Campbell, sr., a native of this city, who died at Riverdale, Md., on Sunday, were brought here today for interment in Bethel cemetery at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The deceased was a son of the late William Campbell, a well-known carpenter of ante-war days. While a boy the subject of this notice became an apprentice in the Gazette office, where he worked until 1861, after which time he was employed on Washington papers and for years worked in the government printing office. Many years ago he moved to Riverdale, Md., where he resided up to the time of his death. He was 73 years old.

Norfolk Oysters, Hampton Bars and Potomac River oysters. J. Brill No. 2 King street.

We are open evenings. Elliott's, 604 King street. 300-2t.

WOMAN KILLED.

Wife Shot Down by Bandits When She Came to Her Husband's Aid.

Mount Vernon, Ill., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Stella Boyle, wife of Joseph B. Boyle, a cigar dealer, was killed by one of three bandits when they robbed Boyle's store of $60 Saturday night.

The robbers, Adam M. Unzie, William Parris and Layman Flanagan were caght after they had fled about twenty miles and are now in the county jail here guarded by deputy sheriffs and Company K, Illinois national guard. Feeling is running so high among the citizens that the sheriff wired Governor Lowden for aid to protect his prisoners.

Mrs. Boyle procured a revolver when she saw two of the men pointing revolvers at her husband. Before she could use her gun one of the bandits shot her dead.

Announce Increase in Salaries.

In announcing a general increase in salary schedules, Mr. F. H. Bethell, President of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, made the following statement:

"We have, after carefully considering the matter, come to the conclusion that a bonus payment to employes such as was made last year will not meet the situation with respect to living conditions now confronting our employes as well as others. Therefore, a plan involving a general increase in pay has been adopted. This general increase in wage schedules will in no way affect increases awarded from time to time as recogniton of efficient services rendered."

Sale Fancy Articles.

There will be a sale of fancy articles suitable for Xmas presents, Wednesday, Dec. 19, at the Ponnet Power Floral Company's store. 301-1t.

20 per cent discount on Erector building model outfits. Elliott's. 300-2t.

GIVEN NINETY-DAYS' TERM

Negro Took Watch From Man's Pocket, But Returned it When he Saw he Was Being Watched.

A strange negro, about 25 years old, entered the waiting room at the Union passenger station Sunday afternoon and took his seat by the side of a colored man, who seemed to be sleepy. The negro, after casting his eyes about the room, put his hand into the sleeping man's pocket and extracted his watch. Several men were in the waiting room at the time, some of whom witnessed the act, and the negro, seeing he was watched, returned the timepiece. He later pulled an eye shade from the sleeping man's pocket. At this juncture the pickpocket was placed under arrest by the special officer at the depot, and others among whom was a soldier.

The prisoner gave his name as Clarence Reedlade when arraigned in the Police Court this morning. Several men, white and colored, testified against him. When asked by the court why he took the watch from the man's pocket, he said he was anxious to know the time, and had no intention of appropriating it. Being unable to give a satisfactory account of himself, he was sent to jail for ninety days under the vagrant act.

Will Assist Men Liable to Draft.

Mr. Robinson Moncure, of Alexandria, authorizes the Gazette to state that he will gladly assist any who come to him with queries concerning the Questionnaires at his office any evening from 7:30 to 8:30, except Sunday. No charge will be made.

Birth Notice.

Born, Dec. 16, 1917, at the Alexandria hospital, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stearman, of Quantico, Va.

WANTED—An assistant bookkeeper. Young lady preferred. State experience, if any. Address in your own handwriting. Box 87 Gazette office. 297-6t.

Alluminum ware at our usual low price. Elliott's. 300-2t.

PROHIBITIONISTS WIN

House of Representatives Passes The Amendment by a Vote of 282 to 128—Eight More Than Necessary Two-Thirds.

The House of Representatives late yesterday afternoon passed the national prohibition amendment by a vote of 282 to 128.

The advocates of the measure had eight votes more than were needed to give the necessary two-thirds majority of those present and voting.

The measure, which was adopted by the Senate at the last session, now goes to conference.

Tremendously crowded galleries, with spectators extending into the corridors, witnessed the struggle.

William Jennings Bryan leaned over the gallery railing and clapped his hands vigorously as soon as the result was assured. Then he hurried to the House floor, where, seated in the chair of Minority Leader Kitchin, he became the center of congratulations.

Senator Sheppard of Texas, dry leader, today will move in the Senate concurrence in all amendments approved by the House. The principal one is that the proposed amendment must be approved by three-fourths of the States in seven instead of six years. "Drys" are determined to complete submission before Congress recesses for the holidays tonight.

Forty more members attended yesterday's session than heard President Wilson's war message. The total of 410 votes cast is said to be the largest in Congressional history.

The result was foreshadowed when a proposed amendment of Representative Lea of California to exempt light wines and beers from the act, was beaten 232 to 107.

The Virginia Congressmen voted with the majority.

CONGRESSMAN ENLISTS.

Representative Royal C. Johnson, of South Dakota, Meade Private.

Representative Royal C. Johnson, of Aberdeen, S. D., enlisted yesterday as a private in the regular army and was assigned to Camp Meade. He has not resigned his seat in the House.

Johnson is not the first member of the House to drop the legislative pen to take up the sword. Among members who have joined the army is former Representative Augustus C. Gardner, of Massachusetts, now serving as a major in the national guard.

Johnson served five years in the South Dakota national guard, two years as captain. He is married.

FOREGO HOLIDAY LEAVE.

Officers Would Save Railroads From A Big Rush of Traffic.

Commanding officers at army posts and cantonments have been instructed to discourage furloughs for the holidays, because of transportation conditions.

"The people of the nation will bear this privation," said Secretary Baker, "in the same fine spirit which has characterized every previous response when the importance of relieving the railroads is understood, enabling a concentration of energies and capacities for the transportation of our resources to the seaboard and to the battle front in France."

Case in Which Jury Disagreed.

A jury in the Circuit court of Alexandria county, Judge Thornton presiding, after three hours' deliberation, were discharged last last night because they could not agree in the case of W. S. Billops for the recovery of damages to the amount of $10,000 against the Washington and Old Dominion railroad. The plaintiff made the claim that he was injured by being forcibly ejected from a train on said road on August 16, 1916. The defendant claimed justification for the ejectment for the reason that Mr. Billops refused to comply with the new tariff regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The plaintiff was represented by attorneys Sherrier and Jackson and the defendant by Wilton J. Lambert and C. E. Nicol.

MORE SHIPS ARE NEEDED

Sinking of Fourteen Boats by Germans Shows Force and Daring of Enemy.

London, Dec. 18.—Demands for stronger patrols in the North Sea to curb German raids led to an unconfirmed report today that American naval forces might re-enforce the British guard ships on duty in those waters.

The sinkng of fourteen ships by the Germans, three of them in British waters off the mouth of Tyne river, show that the German navy is operating with impudent boldness and is now using large-sized cruisers as well as submarines in its warfare upon mercantile shipping.

A naval court of inquiry has already began an investigation of the sinking of the British cruiser Partridge, six merchantmen and four trawlers while plying between Scotland and Norway by four German destroyers. The British destroyer Pelew, which was damaged by the Germans' shell fire in the same action, is now in a British port for repairs.

The Germans carried out this raid with their usual wanton cruelty and ships carrying women were shelled and sunk. The women were rescued by British destroyers which went to the rescue.

It is believed that a number of neutral sailors lost their lives, as five of the merchantmen were neutrals.

An offical statement sent out by the German admiralty and picked up here, said that a number of prisoners, including four officers, were taken on board the German destroyers and carried back to a German port. It added that all of the German craft got back to their base.

Naval authorities believe that the German warships are operating from Heligoland, as the danger of returning to Zeebrugge would have been too great.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

Coroner Investigates Circumstances Surrounding Passing Away of Young Woman in Richmond.

Coroner Whitefield is investigating circumstances surrounding the sudden death of young Mrs. Alice Johnson, who died while visiting the home of a friend in Richmond Saturday night.

Mrs. Johnson, of No. 1513 North Twenty-second street, who had partaken of supper with her friend, Mrs. B. F. Stutz, of No. 522 North Twenty-seventh street, Saturday night, remarked that she had take a quinine pill, according to instructions from her physician. She took the pill or a capsule and within a short while was a corpse. The coroner was notified and pronounced death due to poisoning. It was learned that Mrs. Johnson had eaten canned fish roe, and it is possible that death may have been due to ptomaine poisoning.

It is learned that Mrs. Johnson had in her room a box containing capsules, with an inscription on the box directing her to take "one every Saturday night." It is thought that she may have taken one of these capsules after the supper at the home of her friend. But one capsule remained in the box.

Mrs. Johnson was stenographer at the office of the Medical College of Virginia.

Mrs. Johnson was a daughter of George E. Knight, of No. 1513 North Twenty-second street, and was just nineteen years old. Her husband was a graduate of the Medical college, and is practicing medicine in Middlesex, N. C.

Death Notice.

Died, Monday morning, Dec. 17, 1917, at her residence in Washington, D. C., Mrs. Agnes W. Adam. Funeral eleven o'clock Wednesday morning, December 19, from 410 Prince street, Alexandria, Va.

Anti-Skid Chains.

A large shipment of Anti-Skid chains just received. Get yours now.

Remschell Auto Sales Co.,
299-3t 117 north Fairfax street.

The usual Wednesday night dance will be given at the Elks' Auditorium on Dec. 19. Lessons 7 to 8:30. General dancing 8:30 to 11:30. Admission 50 cents. Ladies free. 300-2t.

All wagons, velocipedes, doll cabs, etc., are shown on the second floor at Elliott's. 300-2t.

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A PRACTICAL SUGGESTION.

As will be seen elsewhere in the Gazette, Governor Stuart appeals to workingmen of Virginia, espeially employees in the mines, not to cease work any longer than possible during the coming holiday season. He, of course, expects the men to observe Christmas Day, and hopes that the observation of this holiday will suffice.

At this critical time, when so many people are wrapped in heavy clothing watching expiring embers in their homes, while others are deprived entirely of fuel, no time should be lost in bringing about better conditions, and it is hoped the men of the Old Dominion will consider and act upon the Governor's suggestions.

All railroad employees in Pottsville, Pa., section worked Sunday to try and make up for the time lost by the big snowstorm of Thursday night. Coal which had accumulated as a result of the blockade was sent forward. To make up for the time lost by the storm, at the mines, a proposition has been broached to work the collieries on Christmas. Leading coal operators said they would be satisfied to stop work Christmas, but hoped that steps would be taken to stop the practice of making it a double holiday. There is seldom any work at the mines the day after Christmas, but in view of the great demand for coal an attempt will be made to break up this practice. Little trouble is anticipated in getting the miners to work on New Year's day.

A firm in Alexandria which deals in coal was compelled to work last Sunday in order to unload coal and be ready to furnish this necessity yesterday. One of its representatives asked the authorities if their employees would be regarded as violators of the Sunday law in such an emergency. They were told to go ahead, as the law made an exception in the cases of necessity.

TRYING TO SHIFT THE BLAME

As is suggested by a contemporary, it is a childish notion of the Kaiser and all his people that anything they can say places the responsibility for the war on the allies. The war was not begun by the allies, but by Germany, and the German people had been preparing for it, and agitating for it, and smacking their lips over all they expected to make from it for years before the war began. Furthermore, apart from the consideration of responsibility for the beginning of the war, there is the fact that several millions of Germans are in foreign countries, shooting and destroying. Germany is responsible for beginning the war, and will be responsible for continuing the war at least as long as she occupies territory outside of the German Empire. When she gives that up and recalls her armies, the question of responsibility for continuing the war thereafter may be worth discussion. The willingness of a housebreaker, in another man's premises and with the other man's silverware, jewelry and money in his possession, to compromise the situation with the owner has no bearing whatever upon any question of moral or legal responsibility. That was determined when the burglar broke in, and his responsibility is aggravated by his retention of the loot as a basis of negotiating a compromise.

In this connection, as is stated elsewhere in the Gazette, one of the most prominent and influential German papers says the Teutons must hold northern France for the coal and iron mines, without which they cannot continue the war. The paper also says the retention of this territory would be an indemnity to the Germans for the outlay of the war.

There has just been issued in Germany a book designed to convince the German people that the Kaiser was always devoted to peace, and that he could not help this war.

The Pan-German literature for the past 25 [illegible]

propriation of Belgium and of large portions of France. The Kaiser and his hired men can deceive no one in the world, now or ever, regarding the responsibility of beginning the war, or of continuing it until Germany, Emperor and people alike, recognize that war is unprofitable.

THE POPE'S WARNING.

According to the Messaggero of Rome, the Pope has addressed a circular letter to all bishops in the belligerent countries declaring that if any Christian state aids the Turks in an attempt to retake Jerusalem it will be condemned by the Holy See.

During the present war attention has at times been called to the fact that Turkey, being an ally of the Kaiser, has given the Moslems a free hand in carrying on their cruelties toward Armenians and others. Some pictures have represented the German Emperor wearing a turban and looking on while Moslems were burning, plundering and murdering inoffensive people.

The warning issued by Pope Benedict is far-reaching, and may cause the Germans to stop, look and listen before they in any manner aid the Turks to retake Jerusalem after the British have wrested it from them.

The Kaiser realizes the truth of an old axiom that necessity is the first law of nature. He is ready to place the crescent or the cross upon his breast if such acts can in any way perpetuate his despotism.

When France was about to bring on war with China many years ago over Cochin China, the late Colonel John S. Mosby was United States Consul at Hong Kong. One day while walking on the quays he was accosted by a representative member of the celestial empire who asked him if a commission in the Chinese army appealed to him. As the conversation continued it became apparent to Mosby that the Mongolians were anxious to make him their military chief. The Virginian fell into a reverie, during which dreams of an oriental empire passed through his brain. He asked himself this question, "Suppose I should succeed in expelling the French and subsequently the Manchurian dynasty now ruling China and make myself the leader of the four hundred millions of celestials?" Another thought, however, entered his mind which immediately eclipsed his first dreams—he would then be compelled to wear a turban and be among the enemies of the cross. Colonel Mosby promptly declined the Chinaman's offer.

CONTEMPT OF LAWYERS.

Wilhelm Hohenzollern harangued Mr. Gerard on at least one of those celebrated trips which our then Ambassador made to Potsdam Palace, delivering himself in this way:

"Lloyd George, Asquith, Poincare, all my enemies—what are they. Pooh!—nothing but lawyers."

The Emperor intended to reveal his contempt for the law as well as for lawyers, a state of mind of which the world requires no further demonstration. Mr. Gerard relates how he failed to impress Berlin by his standing as a former Supreme Court justice of the State of New York, or by his distinguished legal ancestry. It was only when he discovered that some members of his line had been eminent warriors in the Revolution and in other conflicts that Berlinert granted him his full social status as American Ambassador.

As the Washington Herald says the Kaiser has kicked moral law, human law, international law, out of the window. It is little wonder he has no use for lawyers. He has been bred in his delusion that his will is the only law, and he is seeking to impose it on the world. His enemies must admit that he has made a certain amount of progress. He has conquered weak nations and prostituted others. In this winter of 1917-18 he seems as defiant of law as ever but before he reaches the end of his bloody debauch the lawyers are going to ensnare him. His chief enemy is the President of the United States, who is, all things considered, quite a friend of the law.

Wilhelm, of Prussia, made a great mistake when he declared war on the lawyers. They will never rest until they "get" him. And when they do they will resist a great temptation

Dance Tonight.

In the event that the Twelfth Field Artillery band has started on its travels to parts unknown to us, the dance scheduled for tonight at the Elks' Hall will take place just the same, as we have secured another good orchestra.

Gentlemen 50 cents. Ladies Free.
Elks' Dance Committee.

THE COMING STORM.

A dispatch from Petrograd is ominous, and shows that the echoes of the French Revolution are still heard in Europe.

According to the dispatch the executive committee of the workmen's and soldiers' delegates, by a vote of 150 to 104, has approved a decree declaring the constitutional democrats enemies of the people. The peasants' congress, by a vote of 360 to 321, denounced the arrest of members of the constituent assembly, and called upon the country and the army and navy to defend the delegates with all their forces. Trotzky, the Bolsheviki foreign minister, in an address to his opponents, said: "You are perturbed by the mild terror we are applying to our enemies. But know that within a month this terror will take the terrible form of the French revolutionary terror—not the fortress, but the guillotine."

Some students of history have believed that the French Revolution was in miniature what will one day spread all over Europe. The Kaiser in carrying on negotiations with the representatives of the Bolsheviki is playing with fire. This element is akin to the Jacobins of the days of Louis XVI. They are, in short, anarchists of the most bitter type, ready to become regicides at a moment's notice. This element supposed when they precipitated the revolution in Russia and deposed the Czar that those of their ilk in Germany would banish the Kaiser and his court and set up a republic in Germany. They are still obsessed by that dream.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Under the above heading the Gazett will be pleased to give reasonable space to any person who desires to make comment upon matters of general interest to the public. Writer will of course be responsible for the utterances. As a guarantee of good faith, the name and address of the writer of any article submitted for publication will be required in each instance.—Editor Gazette.

Editor Gazette:

Your article in the Gazette concerning the boundary lines of the proposed shipyard recalls to me an incident that occurred during the time the building of the "Pocahontas" was in progress. In conversation with Captain Fryer on the ferryboat between Alexandria and Washington he asked me if I would accept the presidency of the company. I said yes, upon certain conditions, namely that the amount of stock actually paid in and names of the stockholders should be published and verified; the progress made should be shown by photographs mailed to each stockholder at certain intervals, etc. Captain Fryer introduced me to a capitalist who was, he stated, a large stockholder, and proposed to take a large block of stock, if I would accept the presidency and also take a block of stock. After a lengthy meeting we parted to meet at a subsequent time, at the call of Captain Fryer.

In about two weeks, Captain Fryer called at my store, and asked me if I had an hour's time to spare. I entered his carriage, was driven to the shipyard (Agnew's), where we entered a room and he showed me a painting on the lines of the "Pocahontas," which he had named the E. E. Downham. What ever became of the painting I do not know.

The argument addressed by Captain Fryer and the large stockholder was that the "Pocahontas," would be so fast that the interest on the money and the time saved in the transportation, to say nothing of the passenger traffic, would pay immense dividends to the stockholders. I did not purchase any stock. Captain Fryer and the "large stockholder" vanished, as did also the little flag that marked the spot where the keel was to be laid.

The gentleman to whom I was introduced, I think from his account was an Englishman. Whether Captain Fryer got the inspiration from my suggestion or not, photographs were made and used in selling the stock.

Two friends of mine in Washington bought $500 worth each. They later inquired of me when the "Pocahontas" was to be launched. I replied that a little flag in the river marked the spot where the keel was to be laid, whereupon they showed me photographs of the ship nearly completed and ready to be launched.

Yours respectfully,
E. E. Downham.

SUICIDE OF A SOLDIER.

Ends His Life When the Girl he Left Marries a Civilian.

Camp McClellan, Ala., Dec. 18.—Investigation by a special board of inquiry began today into the suicide of Private Charles K. Kline, of Company B, 11[illegible] who killed himself because the girl he left behind him in Hagerstown, Md., married another fellow who did not go to war.

This theory is accepted here today by the officers of his company. A lieutenant in his company, to whom he had told his story, stated that while Kline sought to maintain at all times an attitude of cheerfulness he was despondent and had considered suicide for some time.

Kline ate his last meal at the home of the undertaker who later prepared his body for burial. The body was shipped last night to a brother, Stanley Kline, of Hagerstown.

WARNS OF POISON BEANS.

Dangerous Imported Food Uncovered By Experiment Station.

New Brunswick, N. J., Dec. 18.—The State Agricultural Experiment Station has discovered in the markets a species of imported beans that carries a serious poison and is sending out warning to consumers to avoid it. The bulletin on the subject just issued, says:

"International commerce and general shortage in any particlar commodity bring into more or less prominence, many products that would otherwise receive little or no attention. Recent importations of leguminous seeds from foreign countries for food purposes have included certain beans of the Lima type, offered as Burma beans, Red Rangoon beans, etc. Many of these are quite distinct in appearance from varieties commonly grown in this country, but one of them, a small, white, plump bean, closely resembles the domestic navy bean, and to the unsuspecting, may easily pass as such.

Attention is called to these beans because they contain a substance yielding a poison which may have a deleterious effect on the consumer. Cases are recorded of death, as well as temporary ill effects following the use of these beans as food."

ON TRIAL FOR LIVES.

Second Court-Martial in Houston Riot Case Begins.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 18.—Direct testimony of how negro soldiers deliberately fired at the automobile driven by E. M. Jones the night of the riots at Houston, Texas, August 23 last, killing Jones and wounding a civilian named Clayton, while a girl and a soldier on the back seat of the automobile escaped unharmed, was given yesterday by Frank Bebee and Joe McCarthy, medical corps privates, at the opening of the court-martial of fifteen negroes of the Twenty-fourth infantry, who face death penalty charges.

Bebee and McCarthy were on the running board of the automobile when the negroes fired, but escaped. They saw twelve negro soldiers, heard three quick commands, "Halt," and as Jones turned his car to go around the negroes a volley was fired.

Bebee and McCarthy jumped from the running board at the volley and took shelter beside the road.

CRUCIFIED PRISONERS.

German Savagery Described by United States Engineers in Letters to Friends in This Country.

New York, Dec. 18.—Crucifixion of Canadian and Scottish soldiers by Germans on the western front, with wholesale outrages on nuns in captured convents, are given by members of the Eleventh United States Engineer regiment in letters received here as the cause of a determination they express to fight to a finish and to give or take no quarter.

"If all of America could hear the horrible tales these refugees tell and see the country about us here," says one letter, "there would be five million American soldiers training for war and war loans would be oversubscribed by billions."

49 TOWNS WITHOUT LIGHTS.

Coal Shortage in Bohemia Closes Big Electrical Works.

Zurich, Dec., 18.—The electrical works at Kolin, a town of Bohemia 35 miles east of Prague, have been compelled to shut down for lack of coal, with serious results to the surrounding country. Forty-nine towns and villages are without light, and 14 big industrial plants and sugar refineries have been closed.

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At the direction of the Fuel Administrator for Virginia, an order has been issued to the retail dealers of coal in this city and county, not to deliver coal to household consumers, in quantities in excess of two tons and then only when the consumer's supply on hand is two tons or less. This will make the maximum quantity of four tons at any one time. To larger consumers, deliveries are not to be made in quantities greater than the actual needs of the consumers for fifteen days, and then only when the consumer's supply on hand is less than their requirements for fifteen days. This will make the maximum quantity held by larger consumers at any one time only sufficient for their actual needs for thirty days or less. Industries buying coal in carload lots must obtain special permit from the Fuel Administrator.

To make this order effective, and to relieve the dealer of the responsibility and difficulty of ascertaining the supply any consumer has on hand, it is arranged that an affidavit be furnished by the purchasers of coal in excess of one-half ton (this affidavit can be made by any member of the family over sixteen years of age.) These forms for making the affidavits will be in the hands of the dealers, and notaries and the affidavits will be taken without charge, by any one of the following notaries public, who have offered their services to aid the Commission in this work:

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SOLDIERS UNCOVER VICE.

Get Evidence and Appear Against Offenders at Atlanta.

Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga., Dec 18.—Soldiers, long the prey of every "blind tiger" and of every woman of ill-repute, have now turned on their ancient enemies and are being used to bring confusion into the ranks of vice in Atlanta. As a result the sight of a uniform fills evil-doers here these days with a sense of uncertainty that never before existed.

This state of affairs was intensified during the last few days by the discovery, through Court procedure, that soldiers have in several cases been detailed for special service against vice. Aiding in this work have been men both from Fort McPherson, where several hundred regulars are stationed, and from Camp Gordon.

McPherson boys started the excitement. In police Court Friday afternoon and night appeared two soldiers, a corporal and sergeant, who said they had been detailed by their commander to secure the necessary evidence to convict. As a result of their testimony some eight or more men and women were bound over or fined on disorderly conduct charg

Saturday night late a Camp Gordon soldier took a hund. Near Mechanicsville, Ga., four miles from the camp lived W. W. Glover, a "tiger" suspect. The soldier visited his home, told him he was cold, and needed a drink. This led on to the sale of a quart for $10 to the soldier. Then Secret Service men appeared and Glover was arrested. He said sympathy led him to make the sale and the booze was in his house for his sick wife.

Nine thousand people, many of the soldiers, attended Saturday afternoon the great auditorium entertainment arranged each Sunday for soldiers and citizens. Pictures, community singing and an organ recital filled the hours.

Camp Gordon authorities state that the men here were not discriminated against in matters of furlough for Christmas. Every other camp is on like basis, it was stated. Twenty-five per cent. of the men will get 38 hours' leave.

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Hot Water Bottles Also Used by Violators of Dry Law.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 18.—Thousands of pints of contraband liquor were destroyed, almost 100 violators of the prohibition statute in West Virginia were convicted, and three unusual features are the outcome of the prohibition report for the week made public last night by State Prohibition Commissioner Hallanan.

Deputy Prohibition Officer Ketchum arrested Cecil Stamper, of Kitchen, on a charge of violating the State law, which allows only one quart per month. Stamper's wooden leg, which took the place of a leg lost in the mines, had been bored out and the interior held more than a gallon of whisky. Stamper was convicted, went to jail for two months and must pay a fine of $100 and costs.

A prominent citizen of the northern part of the State, whose name was listed on the report as John Doe, was arrested at Parkersburg. This citizen had three hot water bottles strapped around his chest and in these bottles attempted to smuggle three gallons of Scotch liquor into the state. The acute ear of a prohibition officer heard the liquor splash in its containers as the man stepped from the train. The usual sentence was imposed.

Bethaia Marcum, of Winsondale, was arrested by Officer Ketchum at Wayne Court House with her husband, Melvin Marcum. Both were arraigned before Magistrate Rose and the husband stolidly refused to acknowledge ownership of a suit case of liquor. Mrs. Marcum claimed it and received two months in jail and a fine of $100 and costs. Her husband was freed by the Magistrate's order.

RICHMOND OUSTED AT LAST.

Bishop Suspends Him for Two Years, Refusing Pardon.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 18.—The sentence of two years' suspension from the ministry for Rev. Geo. Chalmers Richmond, former rector of St. John's P. E. Church, was upheld last week by Bishop Philip M. Rhinelander, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, in a brief decision handed down at the Church House, Twelfth and Walnut streets. The sentence marked the culmination of the trial and the suspension will date from October 16 last, when Dr. Richmond was found guilty on three charges involving insubordination and conduct unbecoming a minister.

It was somewhat difficult for the Bishop to pronounce the sentence. After reviewing the case briefly he began reading the actual sentence. At that point Mr. Richmond began reading a protest against the rights of the Bishop to pass sentence both under the laws of Pennsylvania and under the canons of the church. Both the Bishop and Mr. Richmond continued to read together until the Bishop finished and went out, leaving Mr. Richmond to continue his protest alone. Mr. Richmond then announced his intention of bringing legal proceedings against the Bishop.

ORDER NOT NEEDED.

C. C. Lewis Decides Against Express Company at Suffolk.

Suffolk, Va., Dec. 18.—Justice C. C. Lewis, Friday morning in the case of G. A. Howerton vs. the Southern Express Company, suing to recover a quart of whisky, which the company's agent at Suffolk, W. A. Pharis, declined to deliver unless the consignee furnished a physician's certificate that the same was for medicinal purposes, decided that Mr. Howerton should be given his whisky.

The attorneys for the Southern Express Company immediately noted an appeal, alleging among other points, that the case should have been against the Adams Express Company, which was shown to have been the carrier in the case in question. In Suffolk the express companies maintain a joint office, with W. A. Pharis as their joint agent.

Judge William Hodges Mann represented the Prohibition Commissioner in this case, which was a test case to decide whether the physician's certificate was necessary or not. The point is still undecided, according to the attorneys. Thomas W. Shelton represented the Southern Express Company, and announced that on Saturday afternoon he would argue before the justice a motion for an appeal. Alfred Anderson, of Norfolk, also represented the Southern Express Company. William M. Crumpler was attorney for the plaintiff. Howerton claimed that he was willing to sign an affidavit that the whisky was ordered for medicinal purposes, but that he refused to get a physician's certificate.

LUXBURG IS INSANE.

Author of "Spurlos Versenkt" is Removed to Sanitarium.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 18.—Rumors that Count Luxburg, former minister to Argentine, and famous for his phrase, "spurlos versenkt," was insane, were circulated here last week when it became known he had been transferred from an internment camp to a sanitarium. The official explanation of the transfer was that Luxburg had suffered a "nervous collapse." Residents here, however, recalled the queer antics which were reported of Luxburg at the time of his departure from Buenos Aires after he had been held persona non grata by the Argentine government.

At that time Luxburg departed on a steamer provided for him by the government, but slipped ashore and landed on Argentine soil, later travelling to a small ranch in the interior. When located there Argentine officials had a hard time arresting him, and when he was finally taken into custody he was found to be a veritable walking arsenal. Subsequently the German envoy's rage led him to violence against his Argentine guards. The report of his insanity was seized upon by pro-German residents here as the reason for some of the astoundingly frank comments which Luxburg made in the messages he sent to Berlin through the Swedish legation, several of which have been revealed by the American state department.

JACKSON BEST GENERAL.

British Regard "Stonewall" as the Greatest Strategist America Has Produced.

Which of all the American generals is it that has given European strategists most food for thought? Give a guess or two, or three. And then you will be wrong, according to a prominent Southern Congressman, who says it is not Washington or Sherman, or Grant, or Robert E. Lee.

"Stonewall Jackson is the man," this Congressman declared, "I was surprised recently in talking to British army officers, to learn that they have made it a point to study all of Jackson's campaigns. It seems they regard him as the cleverest of all the American generals, and the most capable in maneuvering against odds.

"One British officer told me that he personally, with a staff of subordinates, had gone on foot over all the ground covered by General Jackson in his great raids during the Civil War. He said it was as fine a study in tactics as could be found anywhere."

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KEITH OUT FOR SENATE.

Former Mayor of Warrenton Announces Candidacy to Succeed Late Senator Pilcher.

Lucien Keith, a former mayor of Warrenton, and a prominent attorney, has announced himself as a candidate for state senator to succeed the late T. C. Pilcher, of Midland, of the Eleventh senatorial district, composed of Fauquier and Loudoun counties. Senator Pilcher died suddenly a week ago.

NEWS OF THE DAY

The Unionist government and the "Win the War" party won a great victory at the polls in Canada yesterday. The Unionists favor selective conscription.

Miss Harriet A. Varney, charged with murdering Mrs. Pauline Keyes, of Brookline, Mass., was acquitted at Dedham last night.

The War Department yesterday ordered all recruiting stations to seek the immediate enlistment of 15,000 men beyond draft age for guard service in the protection of public utilities.

Cardinal Respigni, vicar of the Pope, has issued a manifesto expressing the joy of the Holy See at the falling of Jerusalem into the hands of Christians. It says that the joy of Catholics is only clouded by the fact that the captors of the city do not all profess the same religion.

Rear Admiral Frederick R. Harris yesterday resigned as chairman of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, and asked the President, through Secretary Daniels, to restore him to his former duty under the navy as chief of the bureau of yards and docks. His request will be granted and Charles A. Piez, a Chicago engineer, vice president of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, will be named to succeed him. The man who only a month ago was selected to build America's new fleet of ships has found it impossible to build ships because of the hesitation and vacillation of his superiors.

German naval forces recently made a foray into the North Sea and surprised a convoy of merchant ships, sinking one British and five neutral vessels and four mine sweepers. Of two British destrovers escorting the vessels one was sunk and the other damaged. The German forces, so far as is known, consisted of four destroyers. Whether any of their vessels were hit during the fighting with the British destroyers has not been made known.

Legislation to specifically subject all Federal officials, except the President, and members of the Supreme Court, to the excess profits tax of 8 per cent on all annual incomes above $6,000, was agreed upon yesterday by the ways and means committee. The resolution will be disposed of today by the House. Its passage is regarded as assured. By unanimous consent it was agree yesterday that the debate shall last one hour.

Information received in Washington yesterday among neutral diplomats agrees with intimations from abroad that Germany is considering another offer of peace.

Churches in three Kansas cities, Hutchinson, Wichita and McPherson, want "Apostle Reed Smoot," ejected from the Senate on the ground that he is a Mormon. Resolutions sent in yesterday state that "he is a responsible author and representative of a church which teaches and practices polygamy and teeches and practices destruction to the government of the United States." A Federal amendment preventing polygamy is also demanded.

President Wilson yesterday, in a published letter to William Jennings Bryan, denied that he had requested the latter's resignation as Secretary of State because of what transpired at the celebrated interview two years ago between Mr. Bryan and Dr Constantin Dumba, former Austrian Ambassador to the United States This is the first time it has ever been officially admitted that the interview took place.

Heavy military actions, in which the British expeditionary force have a prominent part for the first time, were resumed on the northern Italian front Sunday. Both the Italian and the British troops launched heavy attacks against the Austro-German lines between the Brenta and Piave, indicating that the allies, with the great drive of the enemy virtually checked, are now adopting more aggressive tactics, perhaps as a prelude to a counter offensive in force.

Women car conductors, women mail carriers and now women snow shovelers are seen in New York.

The Leipzig Nachrichten urging that Germany hang on to Northern France says that but for the iron mines there, Germany would long since have ceased to fight. It asserts: "All this twaddle about the restoration of Northern France must cease. We must insist, by way of a very modest indemnification for all our struggles and suffering, on retaining possession of the iron mines of Briey and Longwy. Had this area not been in our hands the war, so far as Germany is concerned, would long ago have come to an end because of our lack of materials. This risk we must not run again. Our munition supplies must be secured permanently."

Miss Nellie Leonard, twenty-three, of Phila., Pa., killed herself Saturday night in the office of Dr. Howard Holden, a face specialist, in the Equitable building in Wilmington, Del., by swallowing carbolic acid. The young woman died within fifteen minutes. Miss Leonard was employed as a hair-dresser by Dr. Holden, having been working for him about a year. Dr. Holden left his office at 9 o'clock, but returned some time later, finding, Miss Leonard with another young woman and two men in the office. He states that he ordered the intruders out and chided the young woman for having them there. Miss Leonard, Holden says, ran into an adjoining room and drank the poison.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

To the Stockholders of the Rosney Iron and Lumber Company, Limited:

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Rosney Iron and Lumber Company, Limited will be held in the law office of J. K. M. Norton, esq., at No. 128 south Fairfax street, in the city of Alexandria, Virginia, on the 14th day of January, 1918, between the hours of one and two o'clock p. m., for the election of two directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. Witness my hand at Westminster, Md., this 13th day of December, 1917.

Ralph S. Reifsnider, Secretary.
298-12t.

Notice.

The Alexandria Medical Society announces that on and after Jan. 1, 1918, the following fees will be the minimum charges made by its members:

Office visits $1.00 to $10 00; house visits $2.00; night visits $5 00; Consultations $5.00; obstetrics $25.00, xtra for each mile beyond city limits $1.00
297-10t

Notice.

Having qualified as executrix of the estate Mrs. Louisa M. Pullin, I desire to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present same for settlement. All owing said estate are requested to make prompt settlement.

Miss Ola Pullin, Executrix.
297-10t

Stockholders Meeting of the American Rutile Company of Virginia.

The annual Meeting of the stockholders of the American Rutile Co., will be held at the office of the company, No. 111 south Fairfax street, Alexandria ,Virginia, on Monday, the 7th, of January, 1918, from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock p. m., for the election of directors, and for the transaction of such other business as can be lawfully considered. The transfer books will be closed for 10 days prior to the 7th day of January.

W. M. Slater, President.
Albert Harper, Sec. and Treas
296-12t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Iowa Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business will be held at the office of the company No. 107 north Fairfax street, in the City of Alexandria State of Virginia, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Charles D. Walcott, President.
A M. McLachlen, Secretary.
295-12t

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ontario Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business of the Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 107 north Fairfax street, in the City of Alexandria, State of Virginia on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918 at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

Charles D Walcott, President.
A. M. McLachlen, Secretary.
295-12t,

Notice Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the McLachlen Banking Corporation for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business will be held at the office of the Company No. 107 North Fairfax street, in the city of Alexandria, State of Virginia, on Tuesday January 8th, 1918, at 11 o'clock a m.

A. M. McLachlen. President.
John A. Massie, Treasurer.
295-12t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Alexandria National Bank
Alexandria, Va., Dec. 8, 1917.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it, will be held at the Banking House of said Bank, on Tuesday, January 8, 1918, at 12 o'clock, noon.

The polls will be open from 12 M to 1 p. m.

J. L. PERRY, Cashier.
295-25t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

The Citizens National Bank,
Alexandria, Va.,
Dec. 8th, 1917

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it, will be held at the Banking House, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon.

The polls will be open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

Richard M. Green, Cashier.
294-25t.

Notice Annual Meeting.

December 8, 1917.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Alexandria, Va., will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 8, 1918, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the election of directors and transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier.
295-30t.

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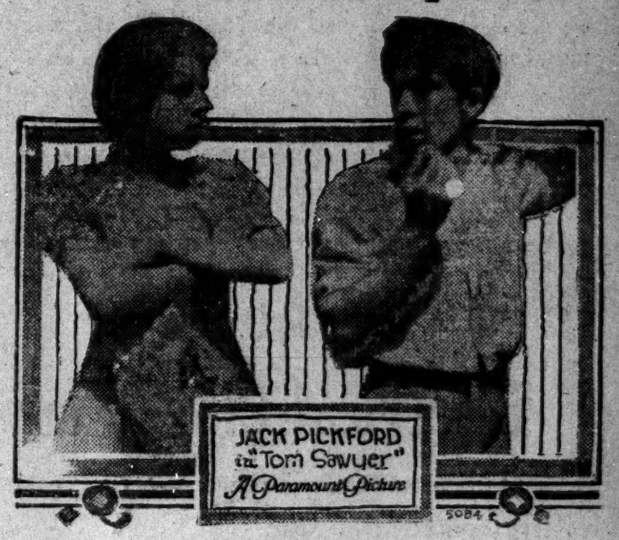

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4:27 a m., Daily—Memphis Special. Sleeping cars and coaches for Lynchburg, Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga. Nashville, Memphis, Washington sleeping cars open after 10:00 p. m. Dining car.

7.37 a. m., Local to Danville.

7:47 a. m., Daily—Local to Harrisonburg. Buffet parlor car.

9:17 a. m., Daily—U. S. fast mail. Coaches and sleeping cars to Charlotte, Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans. Sleeping car Salisbury to Asheville. Dining car.

9.37 a. m., Daily-Manassas Orange and Charlottesville and limited beyond to Atlanta. Coaches only.

4:02 p. m., Daily except Sunday—Local to Harrisonburg. Buffet parlor car.

4:22 p. m., Daily—Local to Charlottesville. Parlor car to Warrenton, daily except Sunday.

5:12 p. m., Daily—Birmingham Special Coaches and sleeping cars to Atlanta and Birmingham. Dining car. Daily tourist car to California.

5:22 p. m., Daily except Sunday—Local for Warrenton.

7:17 p. m., Daily—Augusta Special. Coaches and sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Sleeping cars to Asheville Dining car.

10:02 p. m., Daily—Washington & Chattanooga Limited (Va Lynchburg). Coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga, New Orleans. Dining car.

11:02 p. m. Daily—New York & New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train. Club and Observation cars to Atlanta and New Orleans. Sleeping car to Macon. Dining car.

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P. M.----12 20, 12 40, 1 00, 1 20, 1 40; 2 00, 2 20, 2 40, 3 00, 3 20, 3 40, 4 00, 4 20, 4 40, 5 00, 5 20, 5 40, 6 00, 6 40, 7 00, 7 20, 7 35, 8 00, 8 30, 9 00, 9 30, 10 00, 10 30, 11 10, 11 55

Sunday and Holidays, same as above except trains at 5 00, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 7 17, 7 30, 7 50, and 8 10 A. M and 11 55 P. M.

Leave Alexandria For Mt. Vernon.

A M.---Week Days---5 35, 6 55, 7 35, 8 55, 10 20, 11 30.—P. M.—12 20, 1 20, 2 30, 3 30, 4 30, 5 35, 6 40, 7 35, 8 32, 10 20, 11 50.

Sunday as above except 8 30 and 9 55 A. M and 11 50 P M

Washington Southern Ry.

Schedule in effect July 2, 1917.

For Washington and points north daily 8:08, 8:23, 8:33, 10.33, 10:45 a. m. 12:01, 1:28, 2:30, (through train for New York, via P. R. R.) 5:14, 5.53, 8:23, 11:33 p. m.

Saturdays only, 4:45 p. m., and Sundays only 8:08 p. m

For Fredericksburg Richmond and points south at 4:37, 7:52 (local) and 9:47, a. m 12:16, 3:22, 5:32, 5:17 (local) 7:02, 9:47 p. m. daily.

Accommodation for Quantico at 11:18 a. m. daily and 2:15 p. m. Saturdays. Night train leaves 11:30 p. m. daily for stations Lorton to Fredericksburg inclusive.

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